

# FY2011 Appropriations Request Form

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Individuals/Organizations must respond to all questions on the form. Incomplete proposals will not be considered.

All appropriations project requests will be presented to and evaluated by the 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District's Citizens Oversight Panel, made up of community leaders. **This year's panel meetings will be held on February 26, March 5 and March 12, 2010 in the 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.** Appointments to appear before the panel must be made through Cookab Hashemi, Chief of Staff, at 202/225-3531 or via email, [Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov](mailto:Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov).

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** All information provided on this form and any supporting documents will be made available to the public on the Congresswoman's website.

**DEADLINE:** Forms are due by Friday, February 12, 2010  
@ 6:00 p.m. (P.S.T.)/9:00 p.m. (E.S.T.). Project requests submitted after that date will not be considered.

**Date Submitted:** February 10, 2010

**Project Name:** California State Department of Justice

**Individual/Organization:** *(Is the grantee located in the 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District?)* The California State Department of Justice is headquartered in Sacramento, CA; however, all components of the proposed project will be completed in the 12<sup>th</sup> district.

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**Amount Requested** (*if requesting report language, please attach.*): \$350,000

**Appropriations Bill/Account/Relevant Authorization law/bill/status**  
**Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations Bill, Department of Justice,**  
**Byrne Account**

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**Organization's Main Activities.** (*Please limit your response to 250 words and indicate whether it is a public, non-profit or private for-profit entity.*) The California Department of Justice (CADOJ) is a public entity that provides law enforcement, protection, and other services to the entire state of California. Their Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement (BNE) focuses on methamphetamine interdiction/prevention, gang violence interdiction and prevention and other protective services throughout the state.

**Please show main items in the project and total cost in a simplified chart form.**  
(*Please include the amount of any Federal/State/Local/Private funds, including any in-kind resources.*)

Overtime: \$87,500  
Equipment: \$52,500  
Wiretapping Fees: \$52,500  
Translation Services: \$87,500  
Travel Expenses: \$70,000  
CA DOJ contribution: \$87,500

**Project Description, including a timeline, goals, expected outcomes and specific uses of Federal Funds.** (*Your response must focus on the requested funds*

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*rather than the organization's mission and general activities. Please limit your response to 250 – 500 words.)*

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GSEP has proven to be a highly successful model in eradicating gangs in the short time the program has been in existence. However, as a result of the State of California's deep fiscal crisis, GSEP lacks adequate funding to meet the extraordinary needs of communities plagued by violent gangs. While GSEP has major investigations underway, there remains a substantial backlog of investigations waiting to be commenced throughout California. BNE needs additional funding to allow GSEP teams to continue their operations.

In order to respond to the substantial gang violence in the San Mateo County area, the California Department of Justice is requesting funding to support GSEP operations in and around the 12th Congressional District. The proposed funding will be used to cover costs associated with personnel, overtime, wiretapping charges, translation services, and equipment.

**How will this project request serve to expand the capacity of your organization and how will your organization sustain this work beyond the federal funding?** *(Your response must focus on the impact of the requested funds rather than the organization's long-term goals.)*

Due to budget cuts and other budgetary concerns, the CADOJ is hoping that this funding will allow them to expand their GSEP program within CA-12. Once funding is received, CADOJ will maintain the program through existing resources.

**Can this proposal be funded via fees levied on users of the service or via the ordinary capital budgeting process of the organization?** Theoretically, a tax increase on CA residents could fund this program, however, the state legislature has refused to raise taxes to make up the state's significant budget shortfall. As a result, the CA Dept. of Justice, as well as other state agencies have experienced deep cuts in their programs.

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### **What is the local significance of this project?**

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**How many residents of the 12<sup>th</sup> CD will benefit from this project?** It is unclear exactly how many people will directly benefit from gang interdiction initiatives within the 12<sup>th</sup> district. As an example- In 2007, CADOJ BNE conducted a gang suppression investigation in Richmond that resulted in more than fifty (50) arrests of gang members and their associates, and resulted in the seizure of drugs, weapons, including assault rifles, bullet proof vests, and \$75,000.00 in U.S. currency. The community as a whole should benefit from a reduced level of gang activity and violence in the county.

**Please explain the federal interest in this proposal (i.e. meets a stated objective of federal policy, supports a federal agency, is the result of a federal law/mandate, etc.)** This program supports a state law enforcement agency, while also adhering to the mission of the Byrne Account.

**List any other organizations or state/local elected officials who have expressed support for the project in writing.** A letter of support from Attorney General Brown will be forthcoming.

**Does the organization have any other funding requests for this project?**  
(Federal, State, Local or private request pending?)

No, not for the GSEP program in San Mateo County.

**Has the organization previously received Federal funds for this project?**  
(Please list any funds received [by fiscal year] and briefly describe how those funds were spent.)

The CADOJ has not received funding for this project in CA-12.

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**Has the individual and/or organization submitted the project request to other Member offices? If so, please identify below the names of the Members of Congress and staff persons.** CADOJ submitted a request for funding for the GSEP program in Contra Costa and Solano Counties to Reps. George Miller and Garamendi (staff: Daniel Mauer and Chris Austin, respectively)

**Please attach a list of your organization's staff and board members from 2005 – 2010.** The CADOJ, currently headed by Attorney General Edmund Brown, Jr. is a state agency that currently employs apx. 4,000 thousand people, and has employed thousands more since 2005.

**Please attach any additional relevant materials.**

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

February 26, 2010

The Honorable Jackie Speier  
United States House of Representatives  
211 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Support for California Department of Justice Funding Request for the  
California Department of Justice's Gang Suppression Enforcement Program (GSEP) in  
the 12th Congressional District

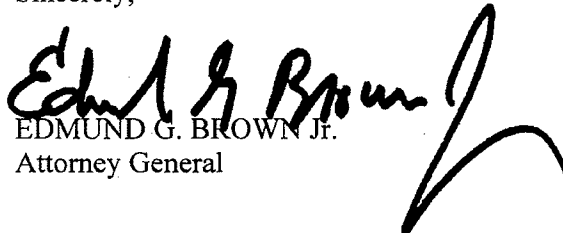
Dear Representative Speier:

As you know, my staff has recently met with your office to request support for the California Department of Justice's Gang Suppression Enforcement Program (GSEP). The spread of gang violence is a significant threat to public safety throughout California, and the 12th Congressional District is no exception.

GSEP was developed by the California Department of Justice and has proven to be an extremely effective gang suppression program. In contrast to gang programs that focus on the street-level gang operative, GSEP targets a criminal gang's leadership structure through an intensive, multijurisdictional effort involving both traditional and high-tech investigative techniques to permanently end a criminal gang's operations. GSEP is a cooperative venture that includes federal and local law enforcement officers, and is in high demand throughout the State.

We are requesting \$350,000 in funding to support the GSEP program in your district. I urge your support of this worthy program.

Sincerely,

  
EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
Attorney General

